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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the office action mailed July 2, 2001, please amend the application by substituting the attached Claims as Amended for the filed claims. A blackline showing changes is also attached.

Remarks

I. Introduction and Formal Matters.

Claims 1-17 were presented for examination. By this amendment, applicants have amended independent claims 1, 12, and 16. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 5-8 were rejected under § 112, second paragraph on the basis of insufficient antecedent basis. Applicants have amended claim 1 to address this matter.

II. Section 112, First Paragraph Issues.

Claims 1-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter not described in the specification in such a way as to enabled one skilled in the art to which it pertains or with which is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention. The basis for the rejection is that

no software printout was supplied in appendix form. Applicant's software is pivotal for the practice of the present invention to one